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Food and Drug Administration
Docket # 97N-0511
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
Rockville, MD 20857

Dear FDA,

I understand that there is legislation under consideration now that would limit my rights to buy fresh, un-pasteurized fruit and vegetable juices. As a recent cancer survivor, I know the powerful effects of fresh juices. I was able to purchase fresh juices during my recovery and it made all the difference in the world. As you may know, pasteurization kills all the enzymes in juice. We all need enzymes for digestion and for building strong, healthy bodies. As an American citizen, accustomed to the right to choose what foods I put into my body, I ask that you don't take that freedom away from me. There are plenty of pasteurized juices for people to choose from it that is what they want. If cigarettes, known to be a health hazard, are available to the public with a warning label, at the very least, fresh juice should be available with a warning label. Let it be the informed consumer's choice whether or not they want to buy fresh juice.

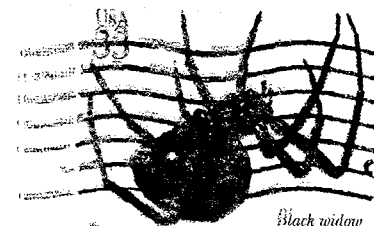
Thank you,

Clayton Hopkins

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